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ARE WEIGHING THE MAIL

All Mail at Keytesville Goes Over the Scales for One Hundred and Five Days.

The postoffice on Thursday, February 18, commenced a task that is a big one, when the scope of the business is taken into consideration. It is the job of weighing the mail that goes out of this office.

This work is done at no regular time but at a time set by the postmaster general when the contracts with the railroads and other common carriers for transporting mail expire. The weighing now will be carried on for the next 105 days. During that time all mail will be weighed and in this manner the postoffice department averages the amount of mail carried throughout the United States and thus arrives at the average amount transported throughout the time of the proposed contract and payment is contracted for on this basis.

The weighing adds much to the work but this period of three and a half months was exceeded by Postmaster Holman in his career as postmaster when at one time he weighed the mail for five months continuously, on instructions from the government.

You Are Invited

This means you if you raise poultry or are in any way interested in the greatest industry of the State of Missouri namely the Poultry Industry.

The Chariton County Poultry Association will hold a meeting in the court house at Keytesville, Mo., Saturday March 6th 1915 at 1 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of celebrating Missouri Hen Day and also to transact business of importance to the Association and to every poultry raiser in Chariton County.

We would like to have everybody come no matter whether you are a member of this association or not. If you attend this meeting you will always wish you had been a member and perhaps will decide to get into the band wagon and push from now on. Come anyway and meet us, it will do you good. Be free to ask questions and get all the information you can, it will benefit you.

This Association was born only last March on Missouri Hen Day, yet they were the banner association of any county in the state and won the silver cup last year, also held one of the largest and best county shows in the state last November having over 400 birds on exhibition. We can do it again this year if you will help.

Don't forget the date March 6 and be present at this meeting. It will benefit you and help the association.

Respectfully yours,
N. B. Webster, Pres.
H. T. Phelps, Sec'y.

Improves Produce House.

R. W. Cox who came here some time ago to take possession of the produce house formerly operated by E. P. Stamper, has improved the place considerably. He has made improvements in the arrangements and built a new platform in front of the place and given it a general and thorough renovation. Mr. Cox is a thoroughly competent man in handling the produce business and evidently will be ready to receive customers in the right manner.

The three children of Frank Fetzner, living south of this place have been having the care of a physician this week.

Valentine Party.

Several young ladies and men of the town met at the home of Miss Madge Taylor Saturday night for a Valentine party. The party was arranged by the girls and the men who attended were fortunate. The evening was spent in the usual diversions and a lunch of five courses was served made up of; fruit and chicken salad sandwiches, tutti frutti sandwiches, celery, pickles, marshmallow salad, perfections, olives, pineapple ice, angel food, coffee, mints and salted almonds. Those present were: Misses Lorena Holman, Helen White, Lois Snarr, Jessie Bradshaw, Madge Taylor; Robert White, Herbert Elliott, James Rucker, and George Chapman.

No Confederate Pensions

The house and senate will not appropriate money to pay pensions for Confederate soldiers. They seem to have guessed wrong two years ago when they thought \$30,000 would pay pensions to those entitled thereto. They found themselves in debt \$182,000 to the \$30,000 pension fund and 1400 persons entitled thereto. It would require \$500,000 to make up the deficit and pay pensions for another two years so the legislature is going to pass the crisis by failing to appropriate anything at all for the payment.

Thirst, Not Neuralgia

Dr. O. M. Long of Boone County, a physician, was fined for prescribing whiskey for a "regular" for alleged neuralgia. Mr. Short, the patient, had been "afflicted" for 15 years and had to take about a quart of his favorite medicine every day to find relief. Some days he was worse to the extent of 3 pints of "medicine". The \$50 fine against Dr. Long was caused to stick, either for improper diagnosis or allowing his patient to suffer so long when he could have doubled the dose and halved the time.

Going To Olathe.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ainsworth left this week for Olathe, Kas. their former home to remain until the former selects another place of residence. He has been planning some what on going to Albuquerque N. M. but has not decided for certain on this prospect. Mr. Ainsworth will be missed by many who were friends of his wife and himself. He was a progressive business man and the Courier dislikes very much to see him go and wishes for his success in other fields he may select.

Up Town Store.

U. R. Westlake has adopted an "Up town" store and will be located in the business center hereafter. He is located in the room formerly occupied by W. H. Burns grocery store and it has been repaired and put into good shape for the occupancy. Westlake is enterprising and a hustler and says he will make a showing of goods in an attractive way that will be pleasing to his customers. His new store is a mighty neat place of business.

Garnett Will Filed.

The will of the late Dr. Garnett has been filed. It was thought for a while that the Doctor had left no will but after the members of the family had about agreed on a settlement of the estate, the will was discovered and it was found that the proposed terms of settlement coincided in the main with the terms of the will which was probated.

Crawley West of Kansas City is here for a visit to his mother Mrs. Clemmie West.

PRESIDENT'S MEASURE PASSED HOUSE, 215-112

Action by Senate to be Forced. Progressives Join Democrats. Republicans and Nineteen Democrats Oppose Administration Plans for Improving Commerce.

Extraordinary filibustering in the Senate has frittered away time, money and early opportunity for opening up by this country of trade relations with foreign countries. What the Senate has been trying to do for weeks the House did in 14 hours debate, and when it voted it expressed decisively the will of the great majority of the people of this country.

The administration proposed to buy ships and send our farm and manufactured products to foreign markets since corporations and privately owned vessels were either charging outrageous and prohibitive rates or refusing to take the risk at any price. If Congress sanctioned the plan, the business was not

to continue longer than 2 years after the European war was ended. That the price of live stock and many other commodities would be enhanced by any plan which permitted marketing there is no doubt, but there should also be taken into consideration the probability of stuff shipped reaching its destination. No nation at war would molest a merchant ship owned and operated by Uncle Sam, nor would any nation presume to fly our flag for protection of its Merchant marine under such circumstances. The support of the administration measure by the Missouri delegation in the lower House and by our Senators is matter for highest commendation.

Shively-Eatherton

February 14, on St. Valentine's day, occurred the marriage of Miss Louella Eatherton to William Shively. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ballou in the presence of 50 invited guests and an elegant luncheon was served. The bride wore white satin trimmed with lace. A reception was given the couple the following Monday at the home of the groom. Both young people are favorably known throughout the community and were busy receiving the congratulations of their friends.

New Minister Here.

Rev. Haines of Kansas City was here Sunday and preached at the Baptist church. He will be here again next Sunday to conduct services. He is a candidate for the pulpit of the local Baptist church and is said to be a pulpit speaker of no mean ability.

A Ladies Man.

Ollie Givens of New Franklin was brought to Moberly on a charge of seducing Miss Hazel Slaughter of Huntsville. He was accompanied to the county capital by his wife whom he married January 25, less than a month ago.

Revolutionary Utterances

The Kansas City Star is iconoclastic and revolutionary. At the close of a sensible editorial the Star writer uses this paragraph which will not increase the paper's standing with our people:

Real Estate Transfers

WARRANTY DEEDS

S. Kitchen to G. W. Winslow \$172 lot 13, blk 13, Salisbury.
N. A. Carlstead to E. W. Vitt et al \$400 20 a e h f ne se 26-55-17.

H. Thurman to G. W. Bigger \$4000 s h f nw 34-56-18.

C. Linebaugh to E. Linebaugh \$2100, s h f sw 24; nw nw 25-56-18.

W. A. Rankin to J. L. McIlvain \$245 lots 1-8 blk 24 Whitham.

A. Emmerich to S. Kitchen \$140 lot 1 blk 1, Bender & Haysler add., Salisbury.

J. W. Gunner to G. D. Robertson \$1, s h f nw 26-55-17.

J. J. McFarland is improving, we are happy to say.

Ends Meeting

Rev. Meyers returned Monday from Salisbury where he assisted for a fortnight in holding services with Rev. Baker at the M. E. church there. He was assisted by Rev. Stormont of Dalton in the singing. The work brought approximately a dozen to the altar in the two weeks work. Here, Sunday, Rev. Baker of Salisbury occupied the M. E. church pulpit during the morning service. There was no service at night.

Wish Us Well.

A gentleman from Dalton sent in subscription for the Courier Tuesday. He also sent a friendly little word to the effect that he hoped that the Courier would be successful in rounding up many other subscriptions, paid in advance, as his was. The Courier wants to add it appreciation of the kind words of the new subscriber. The more the people are with us the faster we grow.

Ex-Supreme Judge Fined.

Mrs. J. Milless, waitress in a Webb City Mo. cafe, had Ex. Judge Walton M. Robinson of the Mo. Supreme Court arrested on a charge of insulting her. Testifying in his own behalf, Judge Robinson said he was only joking with the woman but the Justice before whom he was tried could not see the joke and fined the Judge \$83.00.

Bennett Withdraws

Milt Bennett has withdrawn from the race for trustee of Keytesville township. Mr. Bennett has a position on the road that takes him out of town a large part of the time and this, with other duties, makes it impossible for him to give the position the time it deserves in case of his re-election.

Thanks His Patrons

H. A. Ainsworth desired to express to his patrons and friends here his thanks for their patronage during the time he was in business and to assure them of his appreciation.

Marriage Licenses.

William Shively
Louella Eatherton.
Charles Wright, Mendon
Elva B. Carpenter, Mendon.

Drive on the roads which have been dragged then drag over the roads which have been ducked.

Mrs. Clem Oestrich of west of town who was operated on last week is recovering. She is very grateful to her neighbors for their kind attention.

Otto Evertz who has been in business for years in the same store with Milt Bennett has taken a separate establishment and now occupies the building formerly occupied by B. M. Gardner.

Mrs. John Gaston sent her young friend Master Bertram Kribben in St. Louis a fine quilt she herself had made for him this winter, in addition to a number of others she had quilted for other friends.

Roy Cropper has established his office and demonstrating electric lighting house outfit at the office near the courthouse formerly occupied by G. N. Elliott and Co. He represents the Warner Electric Co. and handles individual lighting plants.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Fidler returned Saturday last from Salisbury where they had been for three weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Fidler went there to visit and while there Mr. Fidler was stricken with illness. It was three weeks before he recovered sufficiently to get home and go to work again for the telephone company.

VALENTINE DAY QUIET

Marked With Little Notice—Youngsters Send a Few Missives.

Valentine day here was a frost. There was not much doing except with the kiddiest kind of kids and no one else celebrated the event by sending any of the lovelorn missives. The stock of valentines was small here and the pleasure of sending the "comics" has been eradicated by the process which has removed the sting from most comics. Postcards took the place of valentines and now, even the postcards are going into a decline. The prettier Valentines are giving way to flowers, candy etc. and the comics have lost their hold. What will we do to celebrate St. Valentine's day if this keeps up?

Clement Lee.

One of the oldest and most highly respected citizens, Clement Lee died at his home near Salisbury Friday morning at 1:20 o'clock Feb. 12 1915 at the age of 79 years 11 months and 27 days after a lingering illness of heart trouble followed by la-grippe. He was born Feb. 15, 1835 — was a native of Indiana having moved to Missouri about 50 years ago. He united in marriage to Catherine Haga May 51 1854 in Indiana. To this union were 12 children. 10 with the aged mother are left to mourn his departure. He served in the war of 1864-1865. He was enrolled Sept 26 1864 in Company B. Regiment 42 Indiana volunteers and discharged June 18 1865. He was buried at Corinth cemetery after funeral service by C. S. Dameron Feb. 13, 1915. Besides his wife and children he leaves a host of friends grand children and great grand children to mourn his death.

—Communicated.

New Suits In Court

George B. Brose has filed suit against W. E. Martin this being a petition to set aside deeds.

A mandate has been issued by the court of Appeals in the case of the Bank of Mendon vs R. J. Mell.

Roy Gray of Kansas City was here Wednesday and Thursday.

Sunday was ground hog day. "Watch the perffesser." He didn't see his 'shadder'. Those who have been proselyted and believe that February 2 is the day the infallible weather prophet pops out to see about the prospects for Spring, can have the chance to renounce their heresy. If the ground hog looked out the second, (but he didn't) he saw his shadow and that means six weeks more of winter weather. He didn't see his 'shadder' on the 14th, so get out your Easter rags, garden sass and sun grin.

Mrs. Lizzie E. Young, our successful women farmer 2 miles north of town, wrote to the St. Louis Republic for a man and woman for farm work. She did not want married people. The Republic of Monday printed a portion of Mrs. Young's letter and will assist her in finding a man 40 to 50 years old for chore work and women about same age for house work. Mrs. Young will require satisfactory references. The Republic has undertaken to find county employment for city people out of job. If a pair who cannot speak United States is shipped out to Mrs. Young, as has been the case in one or two instances, a job will be open for an interpreter or the Republic may look for another letter from Mrs. Young.